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Dear Sirs

**In Re. Application of  
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Application No. 10/555/615  
PCT No. PCT/GB 03/02177  
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Further to my previous letter concerning receiving my USPTO patent mail in a "Novartis" envelope.

I wrote the enclosed letter to Novartis and received the reply which is also enclosed and seems to explain the situation.

So it now seems perhaps that the USPTO mailed my mail to Novartis by mistake.

Does this seem possible to you?

Can you confirm to me if the USPTO mailed out mail to Novartis on the same date as my mail was mailed out and in this case is it possible that my mail ended up in their envelope addressed to their offices?

I will be happy to confirm these issues and perhaps then I can rest assured that my patent mail from the USPTO has not been tampered with at my U.S. Mailing address before being forwarded on to me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of stylized, overlapping loops and lines, likely representing the initials 'PP' and the name 'Laaong Silaprom'.

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Dear Sirs

**Re: A letter from your Building**

I am currently dealing with the United States Patent and Trade Mark Office "USPTO" in regards to my own patent application.

I am a British citizen and my own address is in the U.K., it is normal procedure for overseas applicants dealing with the USPTO to supply a U.S. mailing address for correspondence.

The USPTO mail that is sent to my U.S. mailing address is forwarded on to me.

I recently had a piece of mail from the USPTO forwarded on to me, a copy of which is enclosed and labelled (page 1).

The letter (page 1) was forwarded on to me in an open envelope, a copy of which is enclosed and labelled (page 2)

So the letter (page 1) supposedly arrived at my U.S. mailing address in your envelope (page 2).

As you can see the envelope has your company name on it and has been franked by your Pitney Bowes machine.

I am hoping that you may be able to help me with my enquiries.

I am trying to find out why my mail from the USPTO should have arrived at my U.S. mailing address in a Novartis envelope, if in fact it did.

My main concern is that my mail from the USPTO may have been tampered with at my U.S. mailing address before being forwarded on to me.

Alternatively there may well be a simple explanation.

Could you please confirm to me how my name came to be on a Novartis envelope (page 2)?

And, could you also confirm whether or not your company sent my USPTO letter (page 1) to me in your envelope (page 2).

Does the Pitney Bowes serial number indicate which department of your company the franked envelope came from?

I had never heard of your company before receiving the envelope (page 2) with your name on it and I have at no time had reason to correspond with your company before now.

I have already written to the USPTO to see if they can shed any light on these issues.

I would be grateful if you could help me with my enquiries and reply to my U.K. address above.

I thank you in anticipation of your kind cooperation.

Yours sincerely



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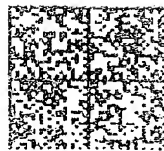
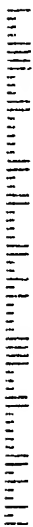


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Re: USPTO Letter

Dear Sir/Madam:

The enclosed letter was incorrectly sent to our office by the USPTO. We forwarded the letter on September 18, 2006 to you as a courtesy.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'E. Jay Wilusz'.

E. Jay Wilusz

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